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1. The Regionala Colectara de Cereale Zalau (Zalau Regional Organization for the Collection of Cereals) is a state organization. Its tasks consist of the collection of cereals in the old Salaj District, now known as the Carei area. It is located at Cehul-Silvaniei, a town with 7,000 inhabitants. Sixteen "bases" have been established for the actual collection, which is directed by the regional organization. Of these, seven are located at: Tasnad, Valea Lui Mihai, Carei, Acas, Moftinul Mare, Supurul-De-Jos, Cehul-Silvaniei.
2. During 1950 and 1951 a number of depots were constructed near some of the bases. These are wooden structures able to hold between 3,000 and 4,000 tons of cereals. There are depots at Tasnad, Carei, Supurul-De-Jos and Zalau.
3. During 1950, 30,000 tons of cereals were collected in the Carei District. Of this total, between 60 and 65 percent was wheat, 25 percent corn, and 10 to 15 percent oats, barley and rye. During 1951 a projected total of 40,000 tons of cereals were collected. The distribution of the various cereals was similar to that of the previous year.

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6. As of 1 January 1952, according to a law passed on that date, all farmers and private landowners are obliged to cede to the state a quantity of meat in the form of livestock, in addition to the cereals, milk, and eggs which must be supplied in accordance with previous laws. One hundred kilograms have to be supplied to the state on properties up to five hectares, and progressively more on larger properties. It does not matter if the farmer raises livestock or not; the specified amount must be obtained and the law obeyed.

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